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Celebrating Kenny P

JAMES ALLARDICE
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

With President R. Stanton Hales' proclamation at 8:15 Wednesday morning, the campus celebrated Kenny P Day, honoring retiring Dean of Students Ken Plusquellec's nearly half-century at Wooster.

"I, R. Stanton Hales, President, do hereby officially designate today, May 2, 2001, as 'Kenny P Day' throughout The College of Wooster," Hales pronounced over Wooster Headline News.

In celebration of Plusquellec's 26-year tenure as dean of students, faculty and students honored the retiring administrator.

"It's been a wonderful day," Plusquellec said. "I've been really moved and it was a total surprise."

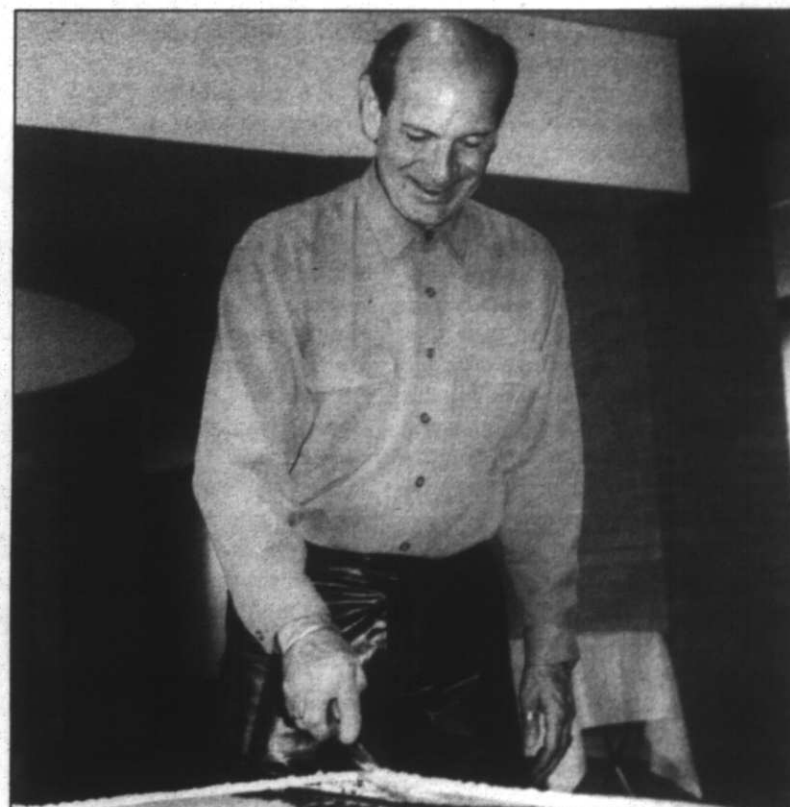
The day began with a roast by the dean's staff, who showered Plusquellec with gag gifts. "The

staff had a wonderful roast and I got lots of crazy gifts," Plusquellec said.

In the afternoon there was a reception for students and staff in Lowry lounge. "The reception really grew out of the dean's potluck and roasting," Associate Dean of Students Carolyn Buxton said.

The celebration concluded with Plusquellec attending his last Student Government Association meeting as the organization's advisor. Members of the SGA cabinet praised Plusquellec's personal relationships with students. SGA Parliamentarian Daren Batke '02 said, "The personal relationships he has with students [are] something every dean should have."

SGA President Vice President of Student Affairs Toni Cassarino
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Ken Plusquellec slices a cake at his reception yesterday in Lowry Pit. The celebration was open to students and staff. PHOTO BY JAMES ALLARDICE

Rise in salaries on the horizon for faculty

DAN SHORTRIDGE

STAFF WRITER

Many Wooster faculty members are slated to get raises next year to bring their salaries in line with regional pay scales and make the College more competitive in a national market, officials said this week.

A final decision on the exact size of those raises will come next month, following a report placing Wooster's faculty salaries squarely in the middle of the pack when compared to its regional rivals.

"The higher the faculty salaries are, the better we'll be able to recruit and retain faculty," Vice President for Academic Affairs Barbara Hetrick said.

The average salary increase will be around six percent, a "pretty substantial raise in today's market," Vice President for Finance and Business Bob Walton said.

Hourly and salaried staff members at the College also are slated to receive raises at an average of five percent, Walton said. That five percent is in addition to a special supplemental raise doled out in the fall to all employees mak-

ing under \$30,000.

Officials said that raise, though not affecting the faculty, nevertheless garnered strong faculty support.

"This time, we're very strongly supporting the faculty raise, not at the expense of the staff," Walton said. "It's their turn, so to speak."

"The higher the faculty salaries are, the better we'll be able to recruit and retain faculty," Vice President for Academic Affairs Barbara Hetrick said.

But faculty members may still have legitimate gripes about their pay.

According to a national study conducted by the American Association of University Professors, released last week, Wooster's faculty members make \$52,700 a year on average, placing them behind Oberlin, Wabash, DePauw, Kenyon, Hope and Denison.

Those schools are all fellow members of the

Great Lakes Colleges Association, a regional consortia and peer group that is most commonly used when examining Wooster's institutional finances, Walton said.

Wooster's ranking also puts the average faculty member a few thousand dollars below the GLCA average of \$54,415.

Within the College itself, there are further faculty salary disparities along gender lines, which Hetrick said is a concern at colleges nationwide.

According to the AAUP's statistics, female full professors at Wooster make on average \$7,300 less than male professors do — \$67,100 to \$59,800.

"It is simply the case that there are more males at the full professor rank, and more of the women are new to the rank," Hetrick said. "I don't detect any bias by gender, but it does give me pause."

The gender disparity is smaller at the lower ranks, the AAUP's data shows. Gaps of only \$800 separate male and female associate pro-

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Capital campaign for \$100m to go public in 2002

DAN SHORTRIDGE

STAFF WRITER

Next year the College will publicly launch its most ambitious fundraising program ever, setting a likely target of more than \$100 million to underwrite the rash of building projects expected to sweep the campus in the next decade.

The disclosure comes on the heels of an announcement this week that the school already has taken in \$14 million in cash this year, a new fundraising record.

But officials are also waving the caution flags, pledging to manage the school's finances very conservatively as a predicted economic downturn creeps closer.

Vice President for Development Sally Patton, who heads the College's fundraising efforts, said many donors are feeling the pinch of the market crisis and holding onto their money. As the economy slows, she said, philanthropists generally give less.

"A lot of very wealthy people are feeling less wealthy at the moment," she said. "The uncertainty factor can be a problem."

This year, however, the school has seen tremendous success.

Having taken in an average of about \$10 million a year in the last several years — and netting only \$9.4 million last year — the fundraising staff is understand-

ably jubilant at the \$14 million in gifts this year. Patton said that number is expected to rise before June 30, the end of the fiscal year.

"It's going to be a very good fundraising year for Wooster," Patton said.

But she said the territory ahead is trickier.

The clock began ticking for Patton's office three years ago, when the Board of Trustees set its fundraising goals out in the College's Strategic Plan.

That plan called for gifts and donations to make up an increased amount of the school's operating budget up from seven percent in 1998 to nine percent in 2003.

Patton said because the operating budget fluctuates from year to year, the fundraising goals also change.

"That is a constantly moving target," she said. "It's a real challenge, but we are making real progress for it. Everything's moving in the right direction."

The school's major focus starting in 2002 will be the as-yet-unnamed capital campaign.

Patton said the goal will likely exceed \$100 million, far above the \$75 million garnered in the last campaign, dubbed the "Campaign for the Nineties."

"We are in the quiet phase," she said. "We haven't yet set a goal,

but the clock is ticking."

Finance officials said they don't believe the capital campaign will be much affected by a downturn in the economy.

"It's going to make it harder than it would have been if we'd started three or four years ago," Patton said. "But we're counting on Wooster's trustees, alumni and friends to come forward and help us as they have done in the past."

Already this year the College has received \$8 million in the single gift earmarked for the construction of the new Burton D. Morgan Hall, expected to be completed in September 2002.

That gift was not counted in the \$14 million in gifts received this year, but will be counted toward the capital campaign goals, Patton said. The same goes for the \$1.67 million already donated for the new Admissions Center and \$2 million toward the new Information Technology Center.

"You use the quiet phase to get

your nucleus fund," she said.

In addition to those building projects, other capital improvements that may be on the horizon include a renovation of Kauke Hall and improvements to several dorms.

The College's investments also are reaping substantial dividends despite the recent market dip, Vice President for Finance and Business Bob Walton said.

Next year's budget will include nearly \$11 million in endowment income, earned from the school's more than \$200 million endowment.

Walton said conservative management of the school's portfolios is paying off.

"When the markets go crazy, you don't want to spend too much," he said. "You don't want to penalize the students of today. But we do hope it goes up."

In a recent study conducted by the National Association of College and University Business Officers, Wooster's endowment

ranked 180 out of the 569 schools surveyed.

Walton said the organization ranked the College in exactly the same place last year.

NACUBO officials said schools should keep an cautious eye on the market as the year progresses.

"The current economic climate and the slump in stock prices indicate that we should be prepared for less robust investment results going forward," said Joseph Mullinix, a vice president at the University of California. "Building a strong and diversified endowment that will stand up to periods of economic downturn is critical to an institution's ability to meet long-term commitments."

Despite the challenges ahead, the College's business experts are moving forward.

"Fundraisers are natural optimists," Patton said. "We just do the best we can."

CAMPUS NEWS BRIEFS

Campus publications will experience a turnover next year as most current editors of the *Voice*, *Goliard* and *Index* graduate this month. Leila Atassi '02 and Ann Raymond '02 will succeed James Allardice '01 and Naomi Kresge '01 as Editors-in-Chief of *The Voice* for 2001-2002.

"Next year will be an interesting year for the *Voice* staff," Allardice said. "If Leila can resist her tendencies to make this prestigious publication like 'Teen' or 'YM' and if Ann can stay sane, it should be a great year."

"The office may be the most hopping place on campus on Wednesday night," Kresge said. "Leila and Ann have great social sense. Wait — they're pretty good journalists too."

Liz Farina '02 and Katy Leedy '03 will succeed Georgia Neale '02 and Amanda Smeigh '01 as Co-Editors of *The Index* next year.

"I think they both have a lot of enthusiasm and a lot of creative ideas," Neale said. Farina is also enthusiastic about working on the yearbook next year. "With organization on the part of all staff members, Katy and I are hoping to make the 2002 *Index* a stellar production," she said.

Robyn Kocher '02 will succeed Jeannette Petras '01 and Katie Rybak '01 as Editor of the *Goliard*. "I think Robyn will do very well. She has a very good sense of poetry and writing. I have a lot of confidence in her abilities," Rybak said.

Campus Council responded this week to concerns about an increase in incidents of cheating by approving a change to *The Scot's Key*.

Associate Dean of Students Carolyn Buxton called the change "forward-thinking" in its approach to electronically-assisted cheating and said it encourages faculty members to be more pro-active in their approach to dealing with student infractions.

The changes were made to the preamble, section I, section IIB, and appendix II of the Code of Academic Integrity.

If President R. Stanton Hales approves the changes, section I.B. will add "materials from electronic sources" in its moratorium on "knowingly represent[ing] the work of others as [one's] own."

The revised Code also includes elements prohibiting submitting an assignment produced for one course to a second course without specific authorization of the instructor, denying other students access to necessary research materials by stealing, misplacing or destroying them, and requesting an exam change or a paper or project extension under false pretenses.

The revisions also call for stiffer sanctions in cases of repeat violations and adds specifications on electronic sources to its definition of plagiarism. An ad-hoc committee of staff and students appointed by Hales and chaired by Dean of Students Ken Plusquellec drafted the changes.

Council approved the revisions with one abstention, that of Vice President for Finance and Business Bob Walton.

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Plusquellec through the years



In keeping with a time-honored tradition, Kenny P is tossed in a cold shower before a date with his "steady."



Ken Plusquellec, in spot shadow, as a member of the 1956 Color Day Court.



Plusquellec and Dr. Clarence Jordan celebrating Religion in Life Week in 1956.



Ken Plusquellec from 1957 to present.

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'01 said, "I can honestly say, I would not still be at the College without Dean Plusquellec."

Plusquellec effectively retires at the end of July and plans to spend the first couple of months of retirement relaxing. "We'll be in town, this is our home," he said. "The Trustees were very kind and appointed me emeritus dean of students, meaning I will still be involved in the College."

"I have been thinking of taking some art history courses, so I'll definitely still be around. I have too much energy to just sit around."

Plusquellec said that he has recently come to the realization that he is retiring. "Over the past two or three weeks it's started to hit me, this is it," he said. "It's been bittersweet. I love this place, I love the students; it's going to be hard to leave."

Hales said Plusquellec "understands how all the pieces have to fit together and has developed comfort and expertise over a long-term service. He is the ideal person at this institution," Hales said.

"Here is a man who is the ultimate professional in this business," Hales said. "[He is] one of the leading lights in the whole business of being dean of students."

Vice President for Academic Affairs Barbara Hetrick agreed that Plusquellec will be missed. "I have absolutely no oversight of Ken, and now I'm going to have to train someone," she said.

Buxton said, "The community is going to miss him. It's hard to put the emotions in words, or even confront the emotion or the reality that he won't be here."

Plusquellec said he will leave with a sense of satisfaction. "A lot of things have changed. We've achieved a lot. Looking back over the years, a helluva lot of stuff has happened and this is a better place. It's a stronger place," he said.

Photos courtesy of The Index

Pay raise in future

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fessors, while \$1,700 separates assistant professors.

"That will almost assuredly disappear over time," Hetrick said.

Nationally, faculty salaries barely kept up with inflation last year, according to the AAUP report, and economics experts are predicting that professors have reached the end of real salary gains.

"Also, recent history has taught us that even a mild recession — which many economists predict for 2001 — can adversely impact faculty salaries," said Haverford College economist Linda Bell, author of the report.

Faculty salaries are determined on a case-by-case basis, with two faculty committees reviewing both the College's overall financial data and an instructor's professional performance.

Hetrick said the Board of Trustees grants merit and salary increases every June after the data is reviewed by President R. Stanton Hales.

"We're not obligated to deliver an across-the-board increase," she said. "We can deliver a message that you're not pulling your

weight."

But officials caution that salaries alone shouldn't be the sole source of information used when comparing institutions. Salary surveys like those conducted by the AAUP and the national educational newspaper "The Chronicle of Higher Education" don't always give the full picture, they said.

Many schools have small — or large — benefits packages that add to the overall compensation package. In Wooster's case, the school offers a "substantial" contribution to employees' retirement plans, Walton said.

"Sometimes the salary itself is only part of the compensation," Walton said. "There's lots of things that we do that don't generally get reflected."

Officials point to overall budget figures as a sign of the College's fiscal health and its ability to dole out raises. Over the last five years, for example, the pool of money dedicated to wages and salaries also has grown, from \$18.2 million in 1996 to \$21.8 million this year.

"That's a fairly substantial increase," Walton said.

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Only in Wooster ...



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Only in Wooster: the work of anti-pornography activists juxtaposed with a sign advertising the city's most prominent "gentlemen's club." We seniors on the Voice staff will surely miss this symbol of Wooster's weirdness.

The 2001-2002 Judicial Board Roster

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Debt up; student knowledge down

JILL TREFTZ

CHIEF STAFF WRITER

According to a recent Public Interest Research Group report, college students are going deeper and deeper into debt to pay for their schooling, yet eight out of 10 students do not understand the possible impact of debt on their future. The report suggests that the number of students with federal loan debts over \$20,000 has nearly doubled over the past three years.

But Wooster officials say the national trends aren't necessarily reflected in current students or recent graduates of the College. According to Director of Financial Aid David Miller the average debt load of Wooster seniors has remained between \$13,000-14,000 for the last four years.

"From the perspective simply of the federal loan programs, in general, I think the news around here is good news," Miller said. "On the other hand, we are seeing an explosion of private student debt outside the loan system."

The number of students who borrow from private institutions, such as banks, to pay off their college tuitions has been steadily increasing for the last several years. Miller said that the Office of Financial Aid did not begin monitoring the phenomenon until five or six years ago, and so they have no clear statistics as to the number of students taking out private loans or the average amount of debt that they experience. However, he said that the issue has "started to concern us."

Miller suggested that the explosion in private loans might not

necessarily reflect an increase in loan debt for students. Rather, as banks offer better terms to students who take out loans than to parents or other employed adults, he suspects that the students may hold loans in their names that may be subsequently paid off by parents. "It's an internal family decision," he said.

The rise in private loans may have something to do with the current economy, and Miller said he believes the current federal loan volume at the College will stay stable, despite the fact that national trends reflect an increase in borrowing.

"The one national trend that is clear is that people are not saving more for college — or for anything — so when you think about the modern American economy and major financial commitments, people either save or borrow. If we aren't seeing saving trends, then we'll be seeing borrowing trends. But we're talking on the national level, and I don't know how true that will be at Wooster," Miller said.

As far as student understanding goes, Miller said, "I'd have every student understand it better than they do ... I think there's a range [of understanding among students.]"

This year's graduating seniors face a bewildering number of loan repayment options, which will be made clear to them during their required exit interviews. "It makes things more complicated," Miller said of the increased number of options. "I like the choice, but I think it's harder for people who are just starting out, financially, to make the choice

for themselves."

The federally-required entrance and exit interviews with the financial aid office are one way that Miller and his staff are trying to help students grasp a better understanding of their financial situation. And with the federal implementation of the electronic interviews — via a Web site — last year, it has become even easier for students to understand their situation.

The older, face-to-face interviews "made no sense academically ... to have to go to this entrance interview at that time [the first 30 days of college] was ... not the most effective way to get the message across," Miller said. "In general, I'm much happier with the new way of doing stuff," he said. He cited potential parental assistance and the opportunity for students to settle into understanding their loans at their own pace, rather than one of the most "bewildering times of their college career," as advantages to the new system.

The PIRG report also mentioned that the newly proposed national budget only increase the maximum Pell Grant by a mere \$100, rather than the \$600 proposed by education interest groups. While \$100 is only a "drop in the bucket" for Wooster students, Miller encouraged students and their parents to take an interest in the status of federal education funding.

"If students are inclined to political advocacy, now is the time for them and/or their parents to express their concerns about the educational component of the federal budget," he said.

Elders to receive degree

Former U.S. Surgeon General Jocelyn Elders, who spoke on campus as part of the 1997 Wooster Forum series, will be one of three honorary degree recipients at the College's commencement next week.

She will receive the degree alongside former Wooster Vice President of Academic Affairs Donald Harward, now president of Bates College, and Thomas Sanville, executive director of the OhioLINK library program.

Elders, the first African American to be named surgeon

general, left her post in the mid '90s after a controversy arose about her comments regarding the teaching of masturbation. She holds an M.S. in biochemistry from the University of Arkansas.

Harward, the Bates' academic affairs chief from 1982-1989, is the author of several books and a professor of philosophy. Sanville, who has headed up the Columbus-based library consortium since 1992, was formerly an official at the Online Computer Library Center in Dublin.

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Last week's experiment in pre-checkout showed that a bad idea stays a bad idea even when it's built on a good premise. Pre-checkout, for students whose RAs chose not to participate, involved members of Residential Life going room to room recording stuff fines — for things like cleaning, tearing down lofts or furniture removal — that anyone who does a halfway decent job moving out shouldn't have to pay. The idea was intended to scare students into dismantling their rooms without the vandalism of last year's move-out.

The new fine system is the good thing. Students shouldn't be slapped with across-the-board cleaning fees of only \$20 when their move-out rituals include urinating on the wall. The method of communication is the bad thing — confusing, time-and-paperwork intensive and unpleasant for the student. Residential Life staffers who must intrude into the personal space of last years and explain to them that they may owe the school more money — not definitely, but maybe, if they don't cover those 343 mail holes. So keep the fees, but please work on the communication. Nice big posters work pretty well.

Farewell to thee, Kenny P.

It is difficult for us to put his legacy in proper context, having only been here for at most, four years of his near half-century at Wooster. Moreover, Ken Plusquellec's impact on this institution can not be measured in words.

Rarely do a man and an institution fit so perfectly together. Perhaps that is the greatness of Plusquellec. He encompasses everything that is great about Wooster and has served us, the students, honorably for the past 26 years. The Dean of Students' job is to be there for the students, and anyone who has crossed paths with Plusquellec certainly gets the impression that he truly cares. All we can hope of his successor is that he serves the students half as well. Plusquellec has been a visible and vocal administrator to whom students have been able to turn for the past quarter-century. As Kurt Holmes is thrust into the difficult position of replacing a Wooster legend next fall, we hope he does not try to impersonate Plusquellec. His leadership can not be impersonated. And we doubt Holmes would look as stylish in leather pants.

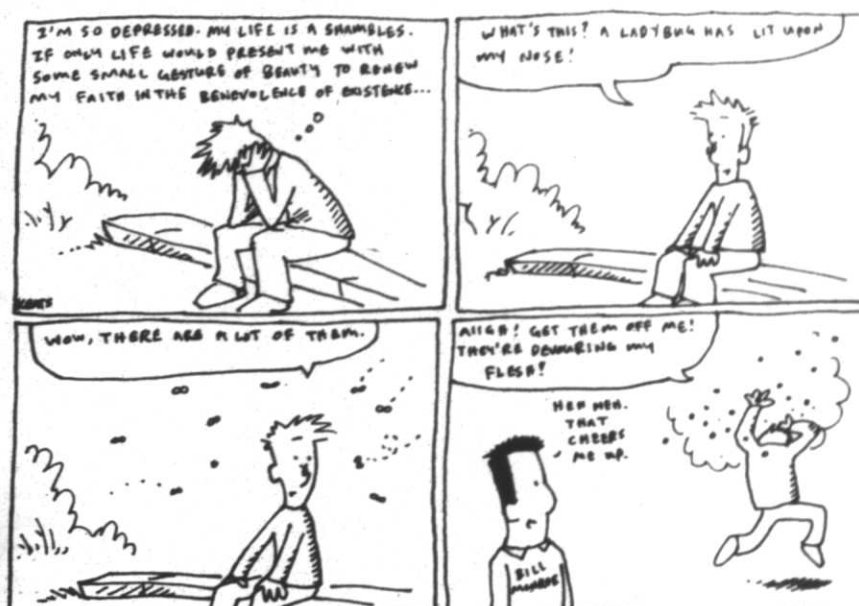
Best of Keats 2000-2001

This cartoon fosters much needed awareness of the feared C.O.W. Card Bandit, who roams the campus preying on innocent bystanders. Without Keats' timely parody, heinous crimes such as this one would have gone unnoticed. Once again, justice is served thanks to Poindexter and his large adversary. Keats, hero of the day.



We've all been there. This cartoon highlights the thought process that occurs at these priceless moments of helplessness when all logic and rationality are thrown out the window. Besides, isn't college supposed to create independent and creative thinkers like the guy depicted here? He definitely aced his Survival 101 class. And the bearded guy with beady eyes ... that's funny.

We always thought it would be the squirrels that would take over our campus, but this fall the ladybugs beat them to it. Keats masterfully illustrates that scenario with this classic comic. Also, our cartoonist shows his genius by reminding us all that other people's misfortune is sometimes funny.



You're a good man. Keats Shwab. Thanks for the laughs. Next year's Voice won't be the same without your wit.

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Sigs not the stereotypical fraternity

"He ain't heavy, he's my brother."

These words from the song by The Hollies have meant a great deal to me during my four years at Wooster. I am a brother of Phi Sigma Alpha. To some, the Sigs are a group of noisy steak heads that major in beer and concentrate most of their time doing one stupid thing after another. To our critics, I invite you to take off your blinders and take a look at who we really are, where we have come from, how we have changed and where we are going.

The beginning of this semester was a turning point for our fraternity. One of our brothers had to be removed from our section; it was during this time that we could have given up and taken the attitude "screw it, let's break stuff and get trashed." However, my brothers and I have taken a new proactive direction and have reasserted ourselves as an example for the Wooster student body.

During the semester, we have undertaken a new attitude towards our service to the community. In years past, we have participated in one day of service late second semester. This year, we began a new program with the Salvation Army After School Recreation Center in an effort to provide male role models for the youth. In addition to that, we have a relationship with the director that has us ready to volunteer for any

FELIX CATHELIN

event they need. In the words of Kathy Couvdos, director of the program, "I just wanted to write to thank you and the fraternity for all their support with our new community center. Their presence and support has been a role modeling experience for the youth that attend, and we certainly appreciated each one's time and presence." The Wooster Salvation Army was so pleased with our volunteers, that they decided to hire one of my brothers, Scott McManamon, as assistant adult supervisor.

We have also developed new programs in non-alcoholic recreational activities. This has been encouraged by the newfound friendship the Sigs have with Linda Hanna, the prevention specialist in Hygeia. Through Linda Hanna, we have been able to develop and implement some great ideas that will help us find alternatives to some of our behaviors from the past. This year, we started what will become a yearly paintball game at Mohawk Paintball.

This year's non-alcoholic event was a success, and next year we are planning on having a Sigs and Wooster Police flag football game, followed by a barbecue and presentation on drinking and driving.

Our relationship with the hous-

ing department has been excellent throughout the spring. The brother that had to be removed from section housing has returned, and the Residential Life and Housing office has yet to receive one major complaint about Phi Sigma Alpha. Director Dave Brown describes the semester and the Sigs' progress by saying, "There's no question that the members of Phi Sigma Alpha have turned this around for themselves this year. They have shown a major improvement in their ability to be responsible, both as a group and as individuals. I have enjoyed working with members of the organization this year, and I am very encouraged as to the future of the group and their contributions to the campus and to the community."

Finally, the brothers of Phi Sigma Alpha have done a great job at doing what they do best — being brothers. Enduring the death of my father from December to now would have been impossible if it weren't for the love that my brothers give me on a daily basis. When people think of fraternities, they usually find a typical stereotype and stick with it. When I think of fraternities, I think of the love and fun that has made these four years memorable.

Felix Catheline is a guest columnist for *The Wooster Voice*.

Kresge thanks Voice

The best thing I ever did at this school was leave.

The sophomore year I spent in Freiburg, Germany has been, and will be, a touchstone in my definition of myself.

The second-best thing I did was to join this newspaper staff when I got back. Through some collision of serendipity, good and bad luck, I became news editor of *The Wooster Voice* less than a month after writing my first article.

I think I can safely say that in the time since then, I've learned a lot — about myself, about journalism, about dealing with people and about the quirks and foibles of the place I chose for my education.

In fact, this newspaper has been its own education, its own constant classroom of experience. Two years of reporting on administrators, faculty and students have been the best sort of people watching — seeing others be brilliant, heroic, shortsighted, intelligent, funny or just dumb.

I've learned that a fancy job title does not necessarily imply skill or even intelligence.

I've seen one floundering administrative department, in search of change, bog itself down in self-congratulation and bureaucracy instead.

I've seen another department, which schedules the academic lives of students and faculty alike, continue its wrongheaded blundering and basic errors despite consistent protestations by each of its constituencies.

I've learned about effective leadership and motivating people by watching. I've learned that it's impossible to communicate without developing a shared vocabulary and a sense of trust, and I've seen administrators — and students — both succeed brilliantly and fail miserably at this. I've come to recognize how difficult it is.

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NAOMI KRESGE

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some people I wish I'd never met.

I've seen people overwhelmed with their own imagined status, and I've seen people with a good deal of influence defer to others' better judgment. I've also learned that others' perception of the job I'm doing may not be my own best yardstick.

I've come to recognize — in myself and in others — that more work is not always better work.

And aside from all the sermonizing, most of which I'm sure

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will seem either trite or obvious to me in 10 years. I've also found a vocation — for

which I am thankful.

I've also found a group of people who have become not only my co-workers, but also some of my best friends. Again, I have met people I might otherwise never have encountered, and they have helped broaden my mind and change both my view of myself and the way I react to others.

So it is not Kauke Arch or the Oak Grove, but the ugly office in the belly of Lowry that I will probably remember most — and not for its sedimentary layers of scrap paper, threadbare brown couch, red chairs, pink carpet and dying printer. These are all charming, but what I'll take away with me is the experience of this paper, its staff and its subjects.

I am used to good-byes — my college experience has been a fragmented one. What personal farewells I need to make, I will do later and on my own. I won't miss this paper; hopefully I'll be off using the skills it's taught me to buy food and pay back my student loans.

I do, however, owe it a thank-you.

Naomi Kresge is Editor-in-Chief of *The Wooster Voice*.

We think that the feeling is probably mutual.

"Girl with doves" more than just a statue



Throughout my four years at this prestigious educational institution, I have had the opportunity to take more photographs of "Girl With Doves" than of any other subject. I walk past her almost every day, wondering if she is set free at night to frolic with her messengers of peace.

Her angelic smile and glowing expression make her seem as real as any person. Perhaps as a young girl she was trapped by a shower of bronze while chasing her beloved doves, only to never reach the destiny that was calling. Whatever her story may be, she watches over the campus with a gentle serene look of grace and hope.

"Girl With Doves," may you dance with the creatures of the night.

- Ben Spieldenner

Correction

In last week's issue of The Wooster Voice, Lauren Kulchawik's farewell editorial, "For seniors, reality bites," was misprinted. For clarification, she does not feel like a man named Peter. The last paragraph should read:

I am not looking forward to graduation. Not because I'm unemployed, but because this is my life, my home. I can't help but be nostalgic and sappy, and afraid of drudgery of the real world. I feel like Peter Pan. I don't want to grow up.

Allardice signs off with hope

JAMES ALLARDICE

I've been waiting for this moment for two years.

No, not graduation — I've been waiting for this, my farewell editorial. This is where the greats before me have opined about the ails of Wooster. Koller, Packer, Fenske and Lindberg have all offered a different perspective on what plagues this campus.

And all had at least a shred of truth. Whether it was Koller's assessment of athletics at the Division III level or Lindberg's assertion that the entire campus was immature (some-what ironic coming from him), there is plenty they pointed out that is wrong with Wooster.

There's also plenty that's right.

I've written thousands of words in these pages about what is wrong, unjust or just flat-out dumb. I'd like to think I have nothing negative left to say. I've been cynical long enough. That's what I keep telling myself. And yet, I can't shake the cynical attitude. I do take solace in the fact that it was all done with the best of intentions — in hopes that improvements would be made.

I don't pretend to have all the answers, merely a couple of thoughts.

When I wrote about the Sigs' housing it was not an attack on the Sigs, but rather a questioning of whether the current system was truly effective. When I took issue with President Hales' convocation speech, it was not an attack on our President, but rather a questioning of whether his perception of today's generation was in fact accurate. People took offense to those assessments.

For those of you who took everything I wrote personally, nothing I say or write at this point will comfort you. All I can say is that you missed an opportunity for an honest discussion on how to make improvements.

There are an incredible number of stupid people roaming this campus, and they will always overshadow and silence the voices of those with common sense. It

can be disheartening for me to see the pathetic and insecure continually dwarf the students who make Wooster great.

Frankly I don't care what everyone thinks of me, or of how I've performed as editor-in-chief. I haven't let your opinion affect my performance. I cherish the respect of my staff and co-workers, and

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have never let the letters criticizing my decisions or editorials bother me.

I've worked my ass off for this paper, and I leave with the satisfaction that the Voice is better today than it was four years ago when I arrived. Certainly I don't take all the credit for the improvement — but I am comfortable with the belief that I was a small part of some great teams that served an important function on this campus.

To me, more important than the 100-plus issues I've been a part of are the relationships forged in the bowels of Lowry basement late on Wednesday nights. The Voice has given me something more than any class can ever offer.

I've put more time into the newspaper than I have any class

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or I.S. And I've also taken more away from the Voice than any class.

Many of the most important relationships with which I will leave college developed in this office. From roommates to girlfriends, — this office has cultivated relationships that have defined my four years at Wooster.

I will leave the Voice office in the wee hours of Thursday morning for the last time as editor-in-chief. My first reaction is: finally,

it's over. But I imagine by late August I will miss this place. I'll miss the office, I'll miss the late nights, I'll miss the campus.

Fifteen or 20 years from now, I will not remember the hypocritical nature of Galpin Hall, or the pathetically fragile egos of the students. I will remember the people I've worked with and the experience I've gained.

I've had several people ask me why I'm so cynical, why my editorials are always so negative. I guess in some weird and demented way it's how I show my passion for Wooster. If I didn't love this place so much, or believe in the greatness of

Wooster, I probably would have given up hope of making improvements long ago.

In fact, I almost wish I was an incoming freshman this next year, because Wooster is changing. This year has been exciting because we have seen change — change that many of us never thought we'd see. From cable to the Java Hut to the no-fry alternative, Wooster is getting better.

But I'll be watching from afar. The potential excitement of a renovated Kauke or another parking lot doesn't excite me enough to make me fail I.S. over and over again or even think about applying for one of the campus internships. Certainly, as things improve, new issues will also arise, and someone in my position will be branded as cynical and unappreciative. Hopefully, the campus will realize the important role of criticism and not take it so personally.

I've written about what is wrong with Wooster because I hope it can be fixed. Maybe, in part, I take what is right about Wooster for granted. But nevertheless, my cynical editorials demonstrate my passion for a place I've fallen in love with — maybe I just express it in an extremely atypical manner.

James Allardice is Editor-in-Chief of The Wooster Voice.

This publication will miss his leadership, but his cynicism will be easier to replace.

Handcuffs and perfect strangers: love is in the air

"It's so hard to meet new people on this campus." How many times have you heard those words being spoken? But it's true. It is difficult not only to find a fresh face on a small campus, but also to approach someone outside the social sphere you've established over the last couple years. Even when you finally build up the gumption to say "hi" to that cutie you've noticed time and again at Lowry, it will probably be weeks before your paths cross again. Am I right?

Well, after feeling the pinch of lost opportunity, I decided the time has come for a revolution on the dating scene. Truly — the remedy to all your romantic awkwardness and first date blunders: bondage.

In the spirit of the new reality T.V. show "Chains of Love," I selected two of my most outgoing, fun-loving friends who had never met one another, and handcuffed them together from 6 p.m. until midnight last Friday. From dinner at Lowry through dancing at the Underground, this couple was forced to come to consensus on every activity during those six hours, and were only permitted to unchain during potty breaks.

Here are the uncensored accounts of Nick Hanson's '03 and Katie Stainbrook's '04 evening in the "chains of love." Who knows? Maybe you will be inspired to take a chance and shackle up with a complete stranger for one unforgettable night. — Leila Atassi

The night in bondage according to Katie

Who knew picking up the phone would get you chained to a random stranger for six hours, huh? Well, that is exactly what happened earlier last week when my good friend Leila called to "ask me for a favor."

At first I was very apprehensive about the situation, but she laid the compliments on pretty thick. "We just really were looking for someone who is nice and outgoing, and we just thought that you would be great for it"—it works every time. So there I was Friday at 6 p.m. in the Lowry Lobby, waiting to be handcuffed to a complete stranger. I had tried to find at least a picture of him before we met and had asked around to see if any of my friends knew him, but other than that I had no idea who this person was.

When I arrived I was mildly nervous, of course, but also ready to finally get it over with. I kept telling myself that it was only six hours and it would be over before I knew it. The cameraman was waiting with me, along with a few of my friends and Leila. Finally, Mr. Nick Hansen arrived. He wasn't what I was expecting, but I wasn't disappointed. I could tell he was pretty relieved to finally figure out who I was, too.

So, after a brief introduction, the handcuffs were strapped on and the six hours began. A few pictures were taken, and we started upstairs to have dinner. The awkward looks we received were quite amusing to both of us, but I enjoyed the questions from others the most. "How do you go to the bathroom?" was my personal favorite. I am sorry to inform you that we were allowed to unchain to use the facilities.

The conversation started off as normal. The usual questions like "What do you like to do in your spare time?" and "What is your favorite color?" were used to break the ice. However, I felt perfectly relaxed with him, and the conversation kept rolling on and didn't stop till the night ended.

After dinner, I brought him to my dorm to show him my room and introduce him to some of my friends. It was also sort of a nice way to get away from the staring people. He and my friends got along great and we spent about an hour and a half just talking and hanging out. This guy was a little more intriguing than I had planned for.

After we left my dorm, we decided to take a drive around the parts of Wooster that we hadn't seen yet. Although entering and getting out of Nick's amazingly beautiful car was pretty tricky, we had a great time talking. Okay, well, this guy is very intriguing.

We eventually ended up back at his dorm where his friends were having their own little formal. It was great; it took place outside with candles, jazz and great company. I got to meet some of his friends, who turned out to be very friendly and cool as hell! They really know how to do formals right.

After the party at Nick's started winding down a bit, we decided to meet some of my friends back at the Underground. And yes, we did have to pay admission for two. We talked to a few people but then decided that it was too crowded, so we left and went back to my dorm. There we danced, talked and overall just had a really good time.

I must say that though this experience was one of the most unusual things I have ever done, it was also one of the best. I had a great time and I would repeat that night a million times if ever asked to do so! So, thanks to Leila for the great idea, and thanks to Nick for turning that awkward situation into a great one.

Nick's version of the six hours in cuffs

Okay, for starters, I can't believe I am writing a freakin' *Voice* article about being chained to some random woman last weekend. I'm sure the founders of the *Voice* are rolling in their graves right now thinking, "Dear Lord, I smell like manure. Decomposing is not all it's cracked up to be. Yet, oddly enough, I remain sentient."

Let me set the stage for you: 6 p.m., Friday evening. I get handcuffed to Katie Stainbrook, a first year from one of the billion unknown cities in Ohio. I knew going into this thing that she was, according to Ms. Leila Atassi, "outgoing, fun and crazy." Sounds great, right? Wrong. Dead wrong to be exact. It was THE worst night of my life. No, wait. The worst night of my life was when I had the dream about a gigantic Twix candy bar hot air balloon crash landing in my front yard, setting my house on fire and destroying my favorite ABBA records.

Friday night went extremely well, in fact. I had never seen this phenomenon called "Chains of Love" that seems to be sweeping the nation like the plague on a hot summer's day, but I could imagine the hijinks that develop on the show.

I was nervous about this whole thing. It sounded tempting at first, but five minutes before cuffing-time I was ready to hotwire a car and drive to San Antonio, Calif. I decided to go through with it, though, and it turned out to be a blast.

The stromboli served at Lowry that night wasn't too difficult to tackle one-handed, but I was puzzled by a comment made by one of the Lowry employees. As he refilled the chickpeas at the salad bar, he noticed our handcuffs and said, "Oh, yes, those bring back some fond memories." As I unsuccessfully attempted

to block some mental images, he elaborated on his thought. "I wore those for a long time back in prison in Japan."

After an hour of stares and chuckles directed towards us at dinner, we went back to her dorm to hang out. She introduced me to her gang of ladies and then she proceeded to test me on my knowledge of classical composers. No joke. And guess what? I'm an idiot.

From there, we took a drive out that way (I'm pointing towards the smokestack right now). Getting in and out of the car was no real hassle, except for the fact that she was wearing a skirt. I felt like a sleazeball having to be in such close proximity to her as she daintily eased her way into my dirty old diesel station wagon.

At the Annex Security formal, we indulged ourselves with some luxurious Franja boxed wine, then moved to the bathroom where we had flossing races to see who could make their gums bleed first. I think she'll agree that this was by far the highlight of the night.

A trip to the Underground later proved to be not only unproductive, in dancing sense, but also highly unprecedented. Little does Katie know that when I unhooked myself to go to the bathroom, I fell head first into that feeding-trough of a urinal. I didn't wash my hands.

All in all, the handcuffing was one of the more interesting things I participated in at college. Katie was an incredibly fun person to hang out with all night. Just one thing, though, Katie. Don't be so overbearing on your next blind date. Give the guy some space. Try not to be such a tag-a-long.



PHOTO BY BEN SPIELDENNER

Dinner at Lowry is a whole new experience when you are chained to someone else.

Hot or not? You make the call

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Have you ever had the desire to be ogled by hundreds of strangers? The urge to be objectified? Looked at like you were nothing more than a piece of meat? Judged solely on your looks without any consideration given to your personality, intelligence or character? I have. After four years on a small campus like ours, however, it's not easy to be anonymously ogled. Enter HotorNot.com and several similar Web sites.

www.HotorNot.com

HotorNot is a site that allows users to post pictures of themselves to be ranked by others on a scale of one to 10, 10 being the "hottest." To create an account, users must have an e-mail address and a Web page with a picture on it. After moderators approve the picture to make sure it is real (read: not pornographic), the picture is made available for public rating. Men's pictures are in the rotation for 300 votes, while women's pictures stay active for more than 2,000.

Sexist? Sure. But there is a perfectly reasonable explanation for it. Each time a user clicks on a picture, an advertisement is flashed on the screen. More clicks means more ads to which the viewer is exposed, which means more money for the site's creators. As much as men would like the opportunity to be equally ogled, hot college women bring in the bucks. As usual, sex and capitalism go hand in hand.

HotorNot also has a feature which allows users to "meet" each other if so desired. Those who sign up for this service, which is free, have a box placed next to

their picture where voters can express their desire to meet the person. The next time that person logs on, they are shown their potential suitor's picture. If they indicate the desire to meet the person, the two can e-mail each other anonymously through the site.

A random survey of Wooster students revealed that slightly more than half would consider putting a picture up on the Internet to be judged, while only a quarter would actually consider meeting someone they met online.

When asked if she would ever put her picture on HotorNot, Elizabeth Huesman '01 said, "It seems kind of stupid to me. I mean, we both know I'm hot. But it could be kind of fun to see what other people think."

Senior Kate Gessler '01 agreed. "The idea of having people judge me based solely on my looks, which are quite good, doesn't really appeal to me," she said. "But there's still that slight curiosity — so I guess I'd do it."

Tony Springer '02 did put his picture up on HotorNot. "I wouldn't put a whole lot of credibility in the site, but it was kind of fun," said Springer, who finished with a 9.9 rating. "It was good for some laughs, and definitely for some bragging rights!"

www.Bangable.com

As the name suggests, this site is slightly more risqué than the popular HotorNot.com. Rather than rating a person on his or her hotness, viewers are asked to judge whether or not the person in the picture is "bangable."

The overall look of the site is not as impressive as HotorNot, nor was my rating, which was a full six points lower than my rating of 8.1 on HotorNot. Because of this, I have ascertained that



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297 people agree: this man is an 8.1!

HotorNot has the more intelligent users, and is thus a more accurate rating system.

www.PictureJudge.com

PictureJudge has 17 different categories in which to submit a picture, ranging from celebrities to cute pets. Because of this, fewer individuals vote on each picture, making it more difficult to obtain an accurate judgment of one's looks. One advantage is that it allows users to upload a picture directly to the site, eliminating the need for a personal Web page.

However, my rating on PictureJudge was four points lower than that on HotorNot. So again, this site is inferior to HotorNot.com, because its users do not think I am hot.

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It's a big cuckoo clock with dwarves and mushrooms. What more can we say?

Cuckoo for this clock

LAUREN KULCHAWIK

ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Dancing German peasants and a Dwarf Island — if that doesn't scream a good time, nothing else does. The World's Largest Cuckoo Clock of Wilmot, Ohio, featured in the "Guinness Book of World Records," provides hours of mindless, carefree entertainment — for only 25 cents.

The masterpiece stands 23 and a half feet high, 24 feet long and 13 and a half feet wide. It cuckoos and chimes on the hour and half hour. Animated carvings perform to music, while a colony of surrounding dwarf figures observes in awe.

While all of the clock's wood carvings were finished in the Black Forest of Germany, the capital of cuckoo clock manufacturing, the internal structure was completed in Wilmot.

Legend has it that in St. Marie, Canada, another group of artists promoted their cuckoo clock as the largest. The Canadians were wrong: theirs is three feet short of Wilmot's. Other large cuckoo clocks around the world are not free-standing; rather, they are connected to the fronts of tall buildings, and their internal clocks are actually very small.

Located in the heart of Amish country, the World's Largest clock is accessible through the Alpine Alpha restaurant, where locally-made cheeses and imported (regular sized) cuckoo

clocks are sold.

Vernon Craig, curator of the mega-clock, explained the history of the Alpine Cheese Factory, Inc. as a tourist attraction. In the 1930s, owner Alice Grossniklaus had the idea to promote tourism at her cheese factory. Originally, the location was a site of Swiss festivals. Later, the proximity to Amish country drew more tourists, which increased cheese sales. The cheese factory was first called the Alpa building, hence the name "Alpine Alpa."

Craig related the story that Grossniklaus, now 94, woke up in the middle of the night with an idea to build a giant cuckoo clock. "She had already been selling cuckoo clocks at the time, so it just seemed natural," he said. She called a clockmaker from Berea, Ohio, and they developed the plan together in 1962. This original clockmaker died in the midst of the construction, leaving the clock with no animation and no blueprints. "The clock just sat idle for years while she was looking for somebody to finish it," Craig said.

Eventually, an Amish man by the name of John Weaver and an unnamed electrician became interested in the project. By 1973, the clock became the feat it is today.

"There were already people coming to see the Amish, but there was nothing to do, and nothing open on Sunday," Craig

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Why do we graduate on Monday? Graduation traditions

MOLLY MCKINNEY

FEATURES EDITOR

On June 28, 1871, the very first commencement exercises at The University of Wooster were held on a platform in "the grove." The six members of the class of '71 (all male) were each given 15 minutes to speak. The ceremony itself lasted only a few moments.

Now, 130 years later, graduation will take place in the Oak Grove, and over four hundred students will receive their diplomas. And it's probably safe to say that the May 14 ceremony will last much longer than a few minutes.

With graduation a little over one week away, the *Voice* decided to explore graduation traditions of the past, as well as to attempt to answer questions that surround this momentous occasion. All of the following information was found in Lucy Lilian Notestein's "Wooster of the Middle West: Volumes 1 and 2," courtesy of Special Collections.

Traditions of the Past

Class Day

The third commencement exercises of The University of Wooster took place in 1873. That year, along with the Baccalaureate service and commencement exercises, students held a "Class Day." Class Day was the Tuesday before graduation weekend and featured a ceremony of music and oration that ended with the planting of the class tree.

The very first tree planting was accompanied by a dedication in which the tree was predicted "to last forever." A few weeks later, a wandering cow came across the tree, bit the top off, and put an end to the tree.

The 1902 Class Day saw a change in tradition. Old Main had burned down the previous year, as had the campus chapel. A new chapel had recently been constructed, but lacked the beautiful ivy that had surrounded the lost chapel. The class of 1902 decided that they would plant ivy that year against the foundation of the new chapel, calling it "the first ivy of the new Wooster."

This year's graduating class will revise the planting of the

class tree. The ceremony will take place the Saturday of graduation weekend.

Color Day

May 1, 1904 marked the first "color day" at Wooster. Color Day was established as a way of preserving Wooster traditions and cultivating loyalty to the school. The chapel was decorated with pennants and banners, and all faculty and students were expected to wear streamers or bands of black and gold throughout the day. Though not originally part of the commencement celebration, Color Day was incorporated for a short time into graduation weekend in the mid-1930s as a celebration of college growth.

Frequently Asked Questions

Why do we graduate on a Monday?

This question is asked by hundreds of friends and family members each year. The traditional Monday morning commencement ceremony makes it difficult for some relatives and friends of graduates to attend. The answer to this question is not clear, but common sense would say that the Monday graduation is a direct result of the Sunday morning Baccalaureate, a ceremony that many schools have opted to forego.

The history of the College does not give many clues either, but does give an account of the changing nature of the graduation ceremony. Before 1926, commencement exercises took place on different days of the week different years. But that year it was decided that the commencement celebration would begin on Friday and culminate with graduation exercises on Monday morning. In 1927, the ceremony was moved outside "under the elms," where it had originally taken place years before. Since that time, Wooster graduations have been held on Monday mornings in the Oak Grove.

Why do we still have a Baccalaureate service?

The Baccalaureate service has been a tradition since the earliest graduations at Wooster. At a Presbyterian school, it was not

uncommon for students to attend services on a daily or weekly basis, and was actually required for a number of years. The Baccalaureate service was considered a "senior farewell communion service," but in 1920, that service was moved to the Sunday before graduation weekend, replaced by an alumnus service on the Sunday afternoon before graduation. In 1927, Baccalaureate was moved to Sunday morning.

In 1969, ownership of the College and its assets were released to Wooster's Board of Trustees, and Wooster became a fully independent institution. The school has voluntarily chosen to continue its relationship with the Presbyterian Church, and thus continues to hold an optional Baccalaureate service each year.

What's the deal with the Latin Honors?

The Latin Honors — Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude and Summa Cum Laude — were established as part of the national system of academic honors and recognized those with outstanding academic achievements. In 1930, it was decided and listed in the course catalogue that the Latin Honors would be dropped in favor of the phrase "with distinction." This was the same year that the Bachelor of Science degree was removed, replaced with the statement that everyone would now receive a Bachelor of Arts. The Latin Honors remained absent from the degrees until their reinstatement within the last few years.

Graduation 2001 Schedule

Saturday May 12:
3 p.m. — Planting of Class tree, The Oak Grove

Sunday May 13:
10:30 a.m. — Baccalaureate Service, McGaw Chapel
3:30 p.m. — 5:30 p.m., Reception, President's Home
8:15 p.m. — The Commencement Concert, McGaw Chapel

Monday May 14:
10 a.m. — 131st Commencement, The Oak Grove



PHOTO BY BEN SPIELDENNER

The class of 2001 will make their way through the Kauke Arch on May 14.

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explained. The clock has drawn tourists from around the world. "We've sold clocks that flew on the plane back to China!" he said. Alpine Alpa is one of the largest retail sellers of cuckoo clocks in the United States. With over 300 clocks on display, the store can afford to buy clocks in bulk and sell them at affordable prices. The prices range from around \$60 to as much as \$2,995.

Craig does not believe that cuckoo clock making is a lost art. Rather, with modern and more highly advanced finishing tools, wooden clocks are becoming so precise "that they almost look

plastic," he said. "The ingredients have changed, but the clocks haven't."

The first cuckoo clock dates back to the 1700s and is attributed to a German clockmaker. The original myth of the art of the cuckoo clock is unclear. "There are so many tales, you don't know which one's true. It's been lost in legend. Nobody knows what they mean for sure," Craig said.

If you have a taste for some baby Swiss, or just need a laugh, take a drive to The World's Largest Cuckoo Clock. Take 250 east about 20 miles to U.S. Route 62 and make a right — you can't miss the signs. The clock is closed from Thanksgiving to April 1.

Class ends tragically with "Antigone" atop McGaw

HOLLY LAUFMAN

STAFF WRITER

With blankets spread out in front of the steps to McGaw's roof, Ansley Valentine's Acting II class signaled that summertime is approaching with an outdoor production of the Greek tragedy "Antigone."

"Antigone" (for those who were not forced to read it in high school) is the story of Oedipus' daughters and sons after his death. The play begins with the news that two of Oedipus' sons, Eteocles and Polynices, have died in battle against each other. Eteocles was defending their home city of Thebes, while Polynices was trying to sack it for a rival kingdom. The king of Thebes, Creon, declares that while Eteocles may be given a proper burial, Polynices will be left unburied for betraying Thebes.

Antigone, the sister of the deceased brothers, refuses to let one of her brothers be disgraced and remain unburied. For breaking the king's decree, Antigone is arrested and sent to be executed. Antigone, however, is also engaged to Creon's youngest son

Haemon, and the townspeople don't see honoring her brother in burial as a crime, but as the wish of the gods.

After hearing a prophecy from Tiresias, Creon tries to stop the execution, but it is too late. The story ends tragically when Haemon kills himself out of grief over the death of his fiancée, followed by the suicide of Eurydice, the Queen, over the death of her son.

The production was the class's final project and was directed by student teaching assistant Jessica Slater '01 for her Directing final.

The presentation was beautifully simple. There was no set, and there were no lights or sound other than the setting sun and sorrowful music from a small boom-box occasionally accompanying the actors.

"We wanted to keep it plain, and it wasn't supposed to be anything like realism," Corrine Brush '04, who played Antigone, said.

The presentation was reminiscent of traditional Greek productions in several ways, including the open outdoor atmosphere and simple set.

In addition, the actors wore masks, as in traditional Greek

dramas. The cast members had to make cardboard masks for their characters. The masks, each unique, were one of the best parts of the production, adding personality to the characters and allowing for additional creativity on the part of the actors. Some actors, however, mentioned the difficulty of acting with masks in the way of their facial expressions.

"I thought it was a very cool concept, but when you use masks it makes things more difficult. You have to enunciate and speak louder to get past the barrier," Brush said.

Despite the overall simplicity of the production, numerous cast members had problems remembering their lines, which resulted in long pauses that broke the mood of the performance.

"It could have been better if we had more time to work on it. We just needed to work more on our lines," Brush said.

While the production didn't run as smoothly as possible, its style personified these last few days of school. Doing something outside on a beautiful Sunday evening was rejuvenating — a reminder that school is finally coming to a close and summer will be here soon.



PHOTO BY BEN SPIELDENNER

Ismene, Victoria Wilson '02 (left), attempts to talk her sister Antigone, Corrine Brush '04, out of burying their brother.

Robison guest at Wooster Symphony Orchestra con-

NAOMI KRESGE

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The Wooster Symphony Orchestra will present a cornucopia of instrumental and vocal music this Friday in its annual Season Finale Concert.

Soprano soloist Catherine Robison, The Concord Singers and The Cantate Singers will join the Symphony, under the direction of Associate Professor of Music Jeffrey Lindberg, in an evening highlighted by John Rutter's Requiem and Jean Sibelius' Symphony No. 2 in D Major, Op. 43.

"The Requiem ... offers music that is very contemplative and consolatory," music director Lindberg said. "The symphony is

much more expansive and encompasses a much wider variety of emotions than the Rutter work, and it ends with a dramatic, triumphant and uplifting finale."

Lindberg said he chose Robison for the solo role based on his past

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experience working with her. "Catherine has a marvelous soprano voice," he said.

Robison's dossier includes regular performances with the Cleveland Opera, where she has sung such roles as Gilda in "Rigoletto," Genevieve in "Suor Angelica," Miss Wordsworth in "Albert Herring," Elvira in "L'Italiana in Algeri" and the First Spirit in "The Magic Flute."

The soprano's other credits include multiple showings with the Ohio Light Opera Company. Her leading roles there include Marianne in "The New Moon," Lady Maude in "Victor

Herbert's Eileen," of which a CD recording was released, and Rosalinda in "Die Fledermaus."

Other OLO roles include Mabel in The Pirates of Penzance, Eliza in My Fair Lady and Perichole in La Perichole.

Robison's other appearances include outings with the Lansing Opera in Michigan, the Akron Lyric Opera Theatre, Opera Birmingham, Lyric Opera Cleveland, Carousel Dinner Theater and the Symphony Orchestras of Akron, Canton, Dayton, Johnstown, Wooster, Lakeside and Tuscarawas, as well as the Cleveland Women's Orchestra and Robert Page's Cleveland Singers.

Robison is also a former College of Wooster voice instructor. She is currently the choral director at Midpark High School in Middleburg Heights.

Paul Donoian, a veteran con-

ductor of church choirs in the Cleveland, Akron and Canton areas, prepared the choruses.

The concert marks the end of the Symphony's 85th season. The group, which presents three subscription concerts annually, is composed of more than 60 musicians from the campus and the community. Members include students, faculty and local residents.

The Season Finale concert is sponsored by the Women's Committee for the Wooster Symphony Orchestra.

The show is scheduled to begin at 8:15 p.m. in McGaw Chapel. Students will be admitted free, and all other tickets are \$5 and can be purchased on campus at the Lowry Center front desk and in town at Maurer's Pharmacy or Retzler's Hardware.

Summer concerts: Black Crowes to Barenaked Ladies

DAVID POWELL

A&E EDITOR

Of all the things people associate with summer, the concert series at local outdoor pavilions are some of the strongest.

Sadly enough, it's too late to get tickets for this season's most anticipated tour: U2's Elevation Tour. The show will be in Cleveland tonight and Columbus on Monday.

However, the tour is just the bang to start off this summer. Columbus and Cleveland's concert venues have lined up performances by a variety of bands — from bands so old you thought all their members were dead to the newest teen rages — to stir up the humid summer air.

**Blossom Music Center
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio**

Be there or be square: Aerosmith will be playing at Blossom this summer as part of

their Just Push Play Tour of 48 North American cities. This year was already a big one for Aerosmith, with a performance at Super Bowl XXXV, the March 6th release of their new album, "Just Push Play," featuring the hit single "Jaded," and their induction into the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame. This year's tour is supposed to be an exciting one.

OzzFest 2001 will be playing at Blossom Music Center in the fes-

tival's sixth year of existence. This year's mainstage will feature Slipknot, Papa Roach,

Crazytown, Linkin Park and Zakk Wylde's Black Label Society, with Black Sabbath and Marilyn Manson headlining. It may sound silly to qualify this for Ozzfest, but Ozzy Osbourne will be part

of this year's Black Sabbath performance after missing the tour in some past years. In other Black Sabbath news, this winter the band is planning on releasing their first new album since their 1998 "Reunion" album. The band may premiere some of the new songs on this summer's tour. No promises.

Other shows in high demand this summer at Blossom will include Dido, Jimmy Buffett and The Coral Reefer Band, Depeche Mode and The Black Crowes and Oasis.

Maybe if it's free: Unless you want to be washed away by a flood of middle schoolers with bad music taste, going to the Aaron Carter performance would be a horrible idea. Aaron Carter, the younger brother of Backstreet Boy Nick Carter, got his start performing at a Backstreet Boys concert in Berlin, Germany. Since then he released a new album, "Aaron's Party (Come Get It)" this fall, and if you can't get enough of him, he will be playing Jojo the Who in the Broadway musical "Seussical."

It may also be a good idea to stay away from Totally 80s Live, which features bands that were never any good — like Berlin,

The Motels, Asia, The Fizz and The Outfield.

Venue Information: Blossom Music Center, originally built to house the Cleveland Orchestra; has been open since 1968. It is still home to the Orchestra throughout the summer, in addition to the popular artists it draws. The amphitheater is located on Steel Corners Rd. between Route 8 and Interstate 77 and has a capacity of 18,445. For information call (330) 916-6068 or visit the web site at www.hob.com/business/corporate/hobconcerts/blossom.html.

**Polaris Amphitheater
Columbus, Ohio**

Be there or be square: Last year Phish supposedly designed their concert schedule to play what had been their favorite pavilions throughout the years, which made their choice to do a two-night performance at Polaris as a tour closer extra special. Though the band has broken up temporarily, their sentiments about Polaris seem to have remained true. Trey Anastasio,

Anastasio: Phil Lesh and Friends. Lesh is the former bassist and occasional writer of the Grateful Dead. Lesh's special guest "friend" at Polaris will be fellow Grateful Dead member, guitarist Bob Weir who is touring under the name Ratdog. Part of the benefits of the tour go to the Unbroken Chain Foundation, a non-profit group started by Lesh and his wife that gives grants to organizations working for environment and education.

In their first appearance at Polaris in several years, Barenaked Ladies will be playing at Polaris this summer following the release of their new album "Maroon." Last time the Barenaked Ladies played Polaris, "Rolling Stone" magazine called the concert one of the best shows of any artist all summer.

Other concerts at Polaris this summer whose tickets will be in high demand are OzzFest 2001, Aerosmith, Rod Stewart and John Mellencamp with the Wallflowers.

What's missing?: No "ants" will "march" in "Margaritaville" this summer: Columbus regulars Dave Matthews Band and Jimmy

Buffett have left Polaris off their tour this summer. This year marks the first year since 1996 that Dave Matthews Band will not be making an appearance at Polaris — or anywhere else in Ohio, for that matter. This upset many loyal fans, especially since in the past two years Dave has given two-night performances in Columbus. In fact, last year DMB launched their summer tour at Polaris.

Jimmy Buffett, who had instantly sold-out shows since 1997, decided to pass over Columbus this year but can be caught at Blossom Music Center.

Venue Information: Polaris Amphitheater was completed for the summer concert season of 1994 and holds 20,000 people. It is located 12 miles north of Columbus on Polaris Parkway off of Interstate 71. For more information call 1-800-779-TIXX or visit the web site at www.polarisconcerts.com.

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- 8/3 OzzFest 2001
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- 9/2 John Mellencamp w/ Wallflowers

Phish's guitarist, is coming to Polaris this summer. Due to huge demand, plan to buy tickets the moment this show goes on sale.

Another branch-out act from a classic jam band will hit Columbus a week before

Baseball takes two from Gators, prepares for tourney

ERICA BARNHILL

SPORTS EDITOR

When it comes to winning down the stretch, sometimes it's all about momentum.

Though their winning streak was snapped last week at 16 games, the Scots have momentum in abundance after a week in which they took two of three games from third-ranked Allegheny and secured home-field advantage for the NCAC tournament with a 22-2 lashing of Hiram.

Wooster's win streak came to an end — as all good things must — in the first game of a double-header against Allegheny last Saturday. The Scots appeared to have things well in hand, carrying a 3-0 lead into the top of the fifth inning. The Gators had cut the deficit by one run when Kevin Hiles knocked John Werner's '02 pitch over the fence for a grand slam. Allegheny tacked on one more run in each of the remaining innings, winning by a final score of 7-3.

The Scots were held to just four hits in the game by the Allegheny hurler, while Werner gave up eight hits and seven earned runs while striking out 10 and walking six. The loss was Werner's first of the year, dropping his record to 9-1.

Wooster came back hungry after the intermission. In the first inning, Jared Treadway '02 hit a high pop to the shortstop for what looked to be an easy out — until

the Gator player dropped the ball. A wild throw to first later, Treadway was in safe at second, and came around to score later in the inning on a hard grounder.

Though Wooster scored two more times in the bottom of the sixth when Treadway and Bill Daugherty '02 crossed the plate, the single first inning run would prove enough for pitcher Matt Englander '02.

Englander went the distance and tossed a two-hit gem for the Scots, shutting out the Gators for his 10th win of the season. He also struck out six without giving up a walk. Englander's ERA is a microscopic 1.66, and opposing batters are hitting just .172 against him.

Treadway and Daugherty paced the Scots offensively in the second game. Treadway went two for three with two runs, while Daugherty went one for three with one run and two RBIs.

Sunday's rubber match might as well have been "Dan Penberthy Day." The Gators were never really in the ballgame, as Wooster scored five in the first, six in the third and six in the fifth en route to a decisive 18-6 win. An incredible eight of those runs came off the bat of Penberthy, tying him for third place in school history for RBIs in a single game. Penberthy went three for three, but none of his hits was a single — he doubled and hit two home runs, one of which was a grand slam.

However, eight Penberthy RBIs leaves 10 runs unaccounted for, and the Scots spread them around. Four other Wooster players registered multi-hit games. Treadway was two for four with three runs, an RBI and two stolen bases.

with three RBIs, a double and a run scored.

Nic Moga '02 got the win for Wooster, improving his record to 5-1 on the year. He struck out five in six innings of work, giving up three runs on six hits, and walking

Hiram on Tuesday to secure the home-field advantage for the NCAC tournament.

The team rose to the challenge — and then some. With 23 hits from 12 different players, the Scots made easy work of Hiram, cruising to a 22-2 victory. Wooster had four doubles, three home runs and three stolen bases in the game. Daugherty again made his presence felt early, belting a three-run homer in the top of the first to get the party going. Though it was his only hit of the day, he tallied three RBIs and scored twice. Matt Miller '04 was an impressive three for four on the day, with an RBI and three runs scored. Wernecke chipped in three RBIs with his two run, two for five performance.

Englander notched yet another win — number 11, for those who have lost track — to keep his undefeated season going.

And speaking of momentum, the Scots will have to rely on it yet again this weekend when Allegheny pays a return visit in the NCAC Tournament. The teams will play a best of three series, beginning with a pair of nine inning games on Saturday. In the case of a split, the teams will play a rubber match on Sunday, and the winner will advance to play the winner of the Ohio Wesleyan/Wittenberg series for the NCAC Tournament Championship. The action kicks off at 1 p.m.



PHOTO BY JAMES ALLARDICE

Dan Penberthy '02 blasts a grand slam home run in Sunday's game against Allegheny, giving the Scots a 16-3 lead.

Daugherty also went two for four; he also scored four times. Dave Wernecke '03 was two for three with an RBI and two runs, while Brian Kemery '01 hit two for five

two.

After the dust settled, the Scots had a 10-2 record in the division, while the Gators' record sat at 10-3 — meaning Wooster had to beat

Track team prepares for NCAC finale this weekend

SARAH STRICKLER

STAFF WRITER

Last Friday, the College hosted its third and final track and field meet of the year. Although the Wooster Classic was a non-scoring meet, several individual athletes had impressive performances to propel them into the NCAC Championships this weekend.

The competition consisted exclusively of conference schools, with Allegheny College, Denison University, Kenyon College and Ohio Wesleyan University attending.

For the women, Sandy Tecklenburg '01 capped her final home meet with a win in the 400-meter dash, an event in which she doesn't usually participate. Her time was 1:03.4. Kerri Horst '02 claimed victory in the javelin contest with a throw of 101'00", and Wooster recorded another victory in the 200-meter race, with Nicole DeSantis '03 crossing the line in 27.5.

Second place finishes were claimed by Katie Walker '01 in the discus throw (124'05"), Jessica Merritt '03 in the shot put

(33'11.00") and Liz Brashear '03 in the 5000-meter race (21:50.3). Karina Colbenso '04 came in fourth in the 1500-meter event with a time of 5:14.5.

In the men's events, the Scots recorded eight victories. Keith Vance '04 had a strong day in the field, winning both the shot put (44'10.00") and discus (124'04"). Also in the field, Corey Humphrey '03 won the high jump with a leap of 6'02.00". Nahum Kisner '02 placed first in the 200-meter sprint (22.3), and Jacob Johnson '01 claimed the title in

the 400-meter intermediate hurdles (56.5).

In the 1500-meter event, Brendan Callahan '03 finished first (4:03.6), followed by Marty Coppola '02 in second place with a time of 4:09.7. Brian Barnes '03 won the 400-meter race with a time of 50.1, while teammates Konah Duche '03, Ben Behm '03 and Dan Dean '02 followed in second (50.3), third (50.5) and fourth place (53.8) respectively.

The 4x400-meter relay squad also claimed first place with a time of 3:26.2. The Scots also

recorded impressive finishes in the 5000-meter event, with Jared Rhode '03 finishing second (16:22.0); in the shot put, with Jeb Ray '02 claiming second (44'11.50"); and in the 800-meter race, with John Kelly '02 placing third (2:04.1).

The NCAC Championships take place this weekend in Delaware, Ohio, at Ohio Wesleyan University. Athletes who qualify for the national meet will take part in the NCAA Division III Championships in Decatur, Ill., May 23 to 26.

Women's LAX dominates Oberlin and Wittenberg



PHOTO BY JAMES ALLARDICE

Megan Kennedy '03 drives downfield against Oberlin.

FIELD HOCKEY ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

There will be a brief organizational meeting for women's field hockey at 7 p.m. Sunday, May 6, in the Boles Lounge in the PEC. Anyone interested in being part of the team for the '2001 fall season is invited. Potential players should contact Coach Brenda Meese at x2173 if you are unable to attend.

WHERE DO THEY FIND THESE PEOPLE?

"I doubt [Ben's] utility in the general grand scheme of my life."

— Voice Sports Editor Erica Barnhill '01 reflecting on the contribution of her co-editor, Ben Mitchell '03. (She was kidding. Sort of.)

BEN MITCHELL

SPORTS EDITOR

The women's lacrosse team had two impressive wins in the last week. In their final regular season game, the Scots dominated Wittenberg and sent the Tigers home with 21-5 loss. Then on Tuesday, Wooster had a strong performance in the first game of the NCAC tournament as they beat visiting Oberlin 19-1.

The Scots jumped out to a 10-0 lead against Wittenberg just 18:15 into the game, and cruised from there to the 15-goal victory. This earned Wooster the number three seed in the NCAC tournament.

It appeared to be an even match-up going into the Witt contest, as both squads had identical 4-2 conference records, but it was a dominating display by the Scots, which held the league's leading scorer — Wittenberg's Kati Robbins — to just one goal on the afternoon.

Beth Hemminger '03 led Wooster's offensive attack, totaling nine points on five goals and four assists. Three of the goals and two of the assists came during

the team's early 10-goal run.

Also having a big game for the Scots were Katelyn Connolly '01, Megan Kennedy '03, Jessica Critchlow '01 and Lizzie Newton '04. Connolly had four goals and an assist; Kennedy scored three times and dished out two assists; Critchlow tallied four points on two goals and two assists and Newton found the back of the net on three occasions.

Rounding out the scoring for Wooster were Emily White's '02 two goals, Miriam Esber's '02 one-goal, one-assist performance and Molly Spierer's '04 late score.

The defense played very well for the Scots, as they held a team a that averages 12 goals a game to only 13 shots on the afternoon. In goal, Kim Christensen '02 needed to make only four saves to preserve the victory.

On Tuesday Wooster cruised past first-round opponent Oberlin 19-1. Oberlin held the Scots scoreless for the first 2:44 of the game, but Wooster then broke out with three goals apiece from Hemminger and Kennedy to take a 7-0 lead with 20:33 left in the opening stanza. Wooster never

looked back from the seven-goal explosion, all of which occurred within a period of less than seven minutes in the first half.

Wooster continued to dominate the remainder of the game, scoring seven more times in the first half and holding the Yeowomen scoreless until 13:48 remained in regulation.

Despite seeing just 30 minutes of action, Hemminger paced the Scots with an eight-point effort, coming on five goals and three assists. She increased her season totals to 71 points — one shy of the school record — on 35 goals and 36 assists, tying the conference record for assists in a single-season.

Kennedy finished with five points on three goals and two assists, while Critchlow ended up with two scores and two assists. Connolly, Newton and Rachel Stevens '04 each registered two goals and one assist, while Jessica Bacon '03, Spierer and White added one goal each.

The Scots move on to face No. 2 seed Kenyon in the semifinals of the NCAC tournament on Friday at Kenyon.

Softball's win streak snapped

SARAH TRAFFORD

STAFF WRITER

What a difference a year makes. Last season, in their return to varsity status, the softball team ended with a 6-17 record and finished last in the conference. This season, which included a nine-game winning streak and the second seed in the inaugural NCAC tournament, the team (17-16, 10-4 NCAC) has far surpassed this season's expectations.

Packing another exciting week under their belts, the softball team took on three more rivals — Wittenberg, Case Western Reserve and Baldwin-Wallace — winning three contests and losing three.

After sweeping Wittenberg on Saturday, the Scots' nine-game winning streak ended in Cleveland on Sunday with a sweep by Case. Wooster then split a pair with B-W to round out

the week and their regular season.

The Scots swept Witt with scores of 5-2 and 5-4 last Saturday. In the opener, Wooster scored twice in the second and three more times in the fifth inning to gain a four-run lead.

Angie Barone '04 pitched all seven innings, allowing only one earned run, four hits, six walks and six strikeouts. Barone also helped the team offensively, going two for three with an RBI double in the second inning and a single in the fifth inning.

In the second game versus Witt, Abby Petrullo '03, Lindsay Vargo '04 and Brianne Diorio '04 all had doubles to help the Scots come back from a 4-3 deficit. Barone added an RBI and recorded a win on the mound, giving up only four earned runs and two walks on seven hits. She also struck out four.

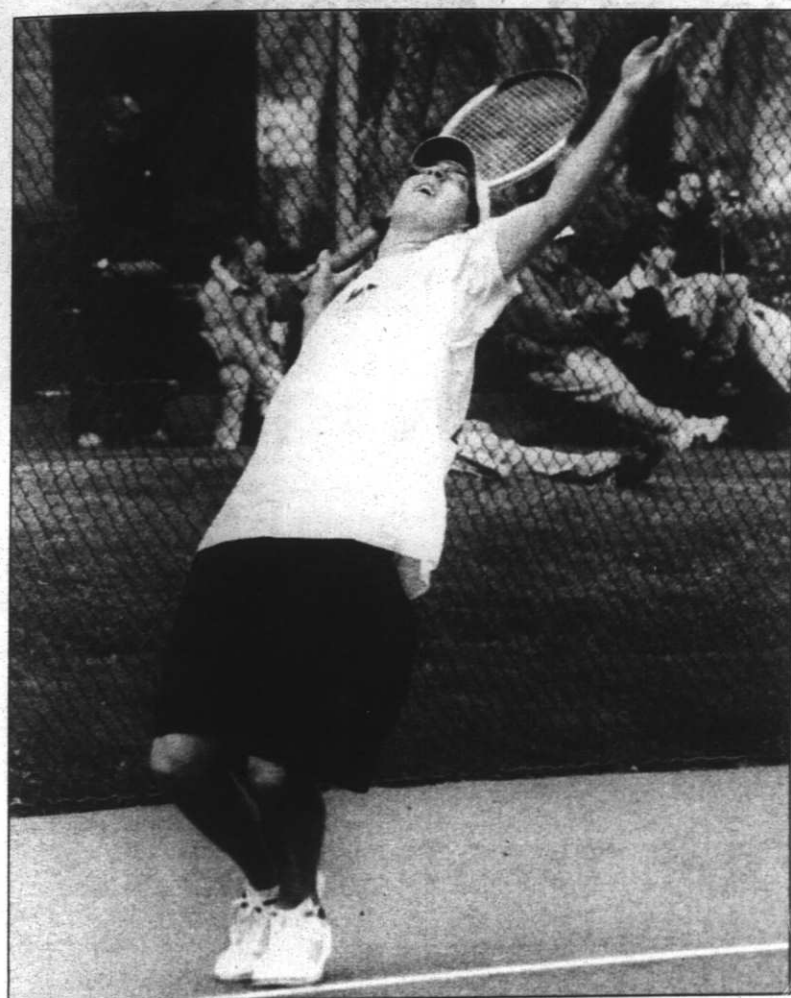
In the Case game, the Scots

were faced with fierce competition, and after a battle to prevent the sweep lost both games 8-0, 4-3. The early game was difficult from the first pitch as the Spartans capitalized on two Scot errors and scored four unearned runs in the first inning.

In game two, the Scots almost came back, leading 3-2 in the seventh until the Spartans scored two unearned runs in the bottom of the frame to seal the win.

Yesterday, Wooster split a pair with Baldwin-Wallace. Both games were shutouts, as Wooster was on the short end of a 9-0 score in the first game before coming back to get a 3-0 win in the back end of the doubleheader.

The Scots will next travel to Granville for the NCAC tournament hosted by Denison University. Wooster is slated to take on third seed Ohio Wesleyan (12-13, 8-4 NCAC) tomorrow.



FILE PHOTO

Jake Sintich '02 serves in last week's match against Hiram.

NCAC tennis tourney begins

JAMES ALLARDICE
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

MEN'S TENNIS

The men's tennis team finished their regular season yesterday with a crucial loss to NCAC East rival Kenyon 4-3. The loss means the Scots will enter the NCAC tournament tomorrow as the East's number two seed.

Had the Scots won Wednesday's match, they would have entered the tournament as the East's number one seed and avoided a potential match-up with NCAC defending champion Denison until the tournament finals. Instead the Scots will potentially meet the Big Red in the semi-finals.

Wednesday's match against Kenyon began on Tuesday but had to be finished the next day due to inclement weather. At number one singles Nilesh Saldhana '04 posted a 6-4, 6-4 win. Jake Sintich '02 won 6-4, 6-4 at number two singles and Matt Bierlein '01 won the third point for Wooster with a 3-6, 6-2, 7-6 win at number five singles. On Tuesday, Wooster lost the doubles

point, losing two of three matches.

The Scots ended the regular season with a 10-9 record, 3-1 in the NCAC East. When the tournament begins on Friday at Oberlin, Wooster will take on Wabash, the number three seed in the NCAC West.

The Scots enter Friday's match with hopes of advancing deep into the conference tournament. The team, with a combination of youth and senior leadership, enters the tournament with the experience to make a run at the NCAC crown. Four seniors play regularly in the Scots lineup, combined with two juniors and Wooster's top player Saldhana, is a first year.

Saldhana finished the regular season with a 7-10 record at number one singles. Sintich finished his junior record with an impressive 11-6 record, primarily at number two singles. Rob Ogg '01 posted a 8-7 record in his final year, with an impressive 7-3 record at number three singles.

Paul Wiley '01 battled back from a shoulder injury to post a 5-2 record. Senior captain Matt Bierlein posted a 7-9 record —

primarily at number five singles. In doubles, Sintich and Ogg finished the regular season with a 11-3 record.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

The women's tennis team finished their season last weekend, finishing sixth in the conference. It is the second straight year the Scots have finished sixth in the conference after entering the tournament ranked seventh.

Last Friday, the Scots were routed by Denison 5-0 in the morning before posting a win over the sixth seed Ohio Wesleyan 5-4. However, the Scots fell 5-4 to Allegheny on Saturday to finish their season.

Molly Medaris '04 impressive debut highlighted the Scots' season. She posted a 14-3 record at number six singles.

Sarah Strickler '01 and Sara Stonewater '01 ended their Wooster careers with a 6-12 and 8-11 record respectively. Ashley Fisher '01, the Scots' third graduating senior, ended her career with a 10-9 record, splitting time at third and fourth singles.

LAX serves Witt their dinner

BEN MITCHELL

SPORTS EDITOR

The youthful College of Wooster men's lacrosse team played two games in the last week. The first was an impressive 10-7 home win on April 28; in the second game the team fell to Denison 19-6.

The Scots may not have only grown up a little bit during the victory over visiting Wittenberg, but they have taken a major step in bringing the program back to when it was a regular contender in the North Coast Athletic Conference.

Wooster fell to the Tigers just two Saturdays ago 17-9, putting an end to its seven-game losing streak to Wittenberg in the all-time series in dominating fashion.

This time around, the Scots were in control throughout. Wooster had a 3-2 lead after one, then picked up momentum after a shorthanded goal in the middle of

the second to outscore the Tigers 5-2 and go into halftime with an 8-4 advantage. The team added a 2 more scores in the third quarter before having to hold off a late Tiger rally for the three-goal triumph.

Making his second-to-last home appearance at Carl Dale Field, goalie John Park '01 produced by far his best outing of the season, and perhaps of his career. Park made 20 saves on the day, several of which were on fine scoring opportunities for Wittenberg.

Offensively, Wooster was paced by Colin Hartnett '03, who scored four goals and added an assist for a five-point day. The team's other multi-point scorer was Mike MacMaster '04, who had three points coming on two scores and an assist.

Hugh Benson '04 and Steve Burton '04, as well as Brandon Mohr '02 and Adam Price '02, registered one goal apiece in the

victory.

"It just all came together today," MacMaster said. "We all played really well, and it was a fun game."

Last night Wooster traveled to Denison for a rare night game. On this night the Scots were out-matched by the number six ranked Big Red and lost by a score of 19-6.

"We didn't win the faceoffs, and the ball was in our defensive end for almost the entire game," MacMaster said of the game.

"They had more guys, fresher legs and are just better than us. It really showed tonight," added Jeff Thomas '01 said.

Thomas and co-captain Park will play their final games at Wooster on May 5 at home against Oberlin.

"It's been a good four years," Thomas said. "I've been around some great guys, and I'm glad I had the opportunity to play."

Golf fifth at Hiram

JOSH PANTESCO

STAFF WRITER

Finishing up an inconsistent season, the Wooster golf team placed fifth out of eight teams in the year's final event. The match was held at Hiram College in Garrettsville over last weekend and featured perennial contenders Allegheny College, which won the event with a score of 621 (307-314), and Ohio Wesleyan University, which shot 630 (312-318) as a team.

Wooster shot a consistent 332 on Saturday and 335 on Sunday for a final score of 667 — good enough to edge out Wabash College at 672 (340-332), as well as Kenyon College (710, with daily scores of 351 and 357) and Hiram (with 794). Denison and Wittenberg also participated.

Individually, duffer Nick

Balcken '01 shot a combined 159 (76-83) to finish eighth and earn a spot on the all-NCAC second team for the third time in his career as a Scot.

"It would have been nice to finally break into the top five, but I was able to hit the ball fine and turned in a nice first round," Balcken said. "The greens sloped a lot, so putting was real hard, but the weather helped out a lot."

Matt Elliot '03 was the runner-up for Wooster, shooting an 84 in each round for a final score of 168, which was good for a tie for 18th.

Finishing up for the Scots were classmates Ryan Flynn and John Pintado '03s, who tied for 26th with final scores of 174, and Graham Binder '03, who entered the clubhouse with a score of 176 (94-82), putting him alone in 29th place.

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FALL SPORTS

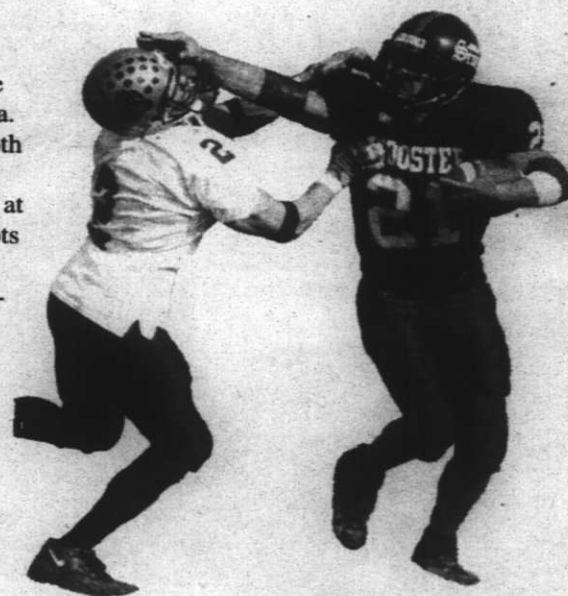
The beginning of the school year also saw the beginning of a new era in Scot football. Mike Schmitz took over the helm for Wooster in the wake of Jim Barnes, who left to coach at Augustana. Schmitz's team compiled a 6-4 record in his debut season, led by Seth Duerr '01 and Seth Mastrine '01, both of whom earned All-American honors.

It was a season of new beginnings for the volleyball team, as well. Terri Mason, in her first year coaching at Wooster, led the Scots to a 15-13 finish — the team's best record in 16 years. Erin Donnell '03 paced the Scots in kills and digs this fall, good enough for second team all-NCAC honors.

The field hockey team had a successful season, as well. Wooster wound up the season with a nine-game winning streak — the longest such streak in 15 years — and amassed a record of 13-5. Emily White '02 and Kate Dunne '02 were named NCAC offensive and defensive players of the year, respectively.

On the soccer field, all-NCAC recognition abounded. Five players from each team were tapped for conference honors, as the men's record skyrocketed to 10-5-2 after capturing only four victories last year. The women went a solid 10-7-0, though they missed out on an NCAC tournament bid.

Both cross country teams did well this fall. The men finished third at the NCAC Championships and fourth at regionals, while the women finished fourth at the NCAC meet and 10th at regionals. Marty Coppola '02 and Sandy Tecklenburg '01 both qualified to run at the NCAA national championships.



A LOOK BACK AT THE YEAR THAT WAS...

The baseball program continued its winning tradition this season, as the Scots compiled a 34-8 regular season record and secured the number one seed and home-field advantage for the NCAC tournament, which begins this Saturday. Not only did this season mark Head Coach Tim Pettorini's 600th win, but it also saw standout individual performances. Matt Englander '02 was a perfect 11-0 in 13 regular season appearances. He threw four complete games and compiled a 1.66 ERA. Offensively, Dan Penberthy '02 finished with a .507 average and a team-leading 55 RBIs.

The softball team, meanwhile, had a breakout season. After a last-place finish in the NCAC in their debut season at the varsity level last year, the Scots vaulted to second, compiling a 10-4 conference record and going 17-16 overall. Wooster's success was augmented by outstanding pitching from Angie Barone '04. Barone, who was named the NCAC player of the week two weeks in a row this season, compiled a 14-7 record in 23 appearances with a 2.13 ERA and 190 strikeouts.

This year the golf team was led by Nick Balcken '01, who earned second team all-NCAC honors for his eighth place tie at the NCAC championships last weekend. The team finished fifth of eight at that tournament.

The tennis teams met with mixed success this year. The women's season ended this week after they were bumped from the NCAC tournament. They finished sixth in the NCAC with an 8-12 record overall. Conversely, the men are still going. With a 10-9 record overall, the men head into NCAC tournament action this weekend.

The lacrosse teams also had mixed results. The men's regular season record stands at 4-8, while the women advanced to the NCAC semifinals yesterday after crushing Oberlin 19-1. The women's regular season record was 8-6.

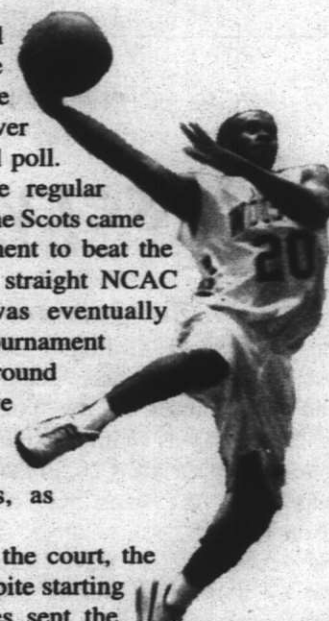
The track teams are also gearing up for NCAC tournament action this weekend. Justina Williams '01 has been a standout performer this year, garnering NCAC honors for her efforts.

SPRING SPORTS

The men's basketball team remained impressive this year, and the Scots were rewarded by their first ever No. 1 ranking in a national poll. Although Wooster lost the regular NCAC title to Wittenberg, the Scots came back in the NCAC tournament to beat the Tigers, marking their third straight NCAC tourney win. Wooster was eventually bounced from the NCAA tournament by Carthage after a first-round bye, and Head Coach Steve Moore got his 300th victory at Wooster. Four Scots earned postseason honors, as well.

On the women's side of the court, the news was not as good. Despite starting off above .500, key injuries sent the women's basketball season spiralling out of control. They finished 4-21, a mark which included a school record 15-game losing streak. Nevertheless, Nara DeJesus '03 was awarded second team all-NCAC recognition.

In the pool, both swim teams had a strong season. The women compiled a 7-0 dual meet record on their way to a third place conference finish (behind perennial national powers Denison and Kenyon) and a top-10 finish at the NCAA tournament. All nine women who competed at the NCAA tourney earned All-American honors for Wooster. The men had an All-American, too: Wes Bennett '01, who just missed a national title in the 50 freestyle, finished in a tie for second. Bennett led the men's team to a sixth place finish at the NCAC tournament and 33rd place at nationals.



WINTER SPORTS

